

AMENDMENTS

In the Title:

Please replace the title with -- Configurable Value-Added Network (VAN) Switching --

In the Specification:

Page 1, please delete lines 6-10 and insert | This application is a continuation-in-part

patent application claiming priority to U.S. Pat. No. 5,987,500, entitled *Value-Added Network System For Enabling Real-Time, Bi-Directional Transactions On A Network*, formerly Application Serial No. 08/879,958, and filed on June 20, 1997; which is a divisional application of U.S. Pat. No. 5,778,178, entitled *Method And Apparatus For Enabling Real-Time Bi-Directional Transactions On A Network*, formerly Application Serial No. 08/700,726, and filed on August 5, 1996. This application also claims benefit under 35 U.S.C. 119(e) to U.S. Provisional Application No. 60/006,634 filed on November 13, 1995. --,

therefore;

Page 38, line 16, delete "(ESFM)" and insert -- (EFSM) --, therefore.

In the claims:

Please cancel claims 1-54 without prejudice. Please add new claims 55-84 as follows:

- 1 55. (New) A switch for enabling real-time transactions on a value-added network,
2 comprising:
3 means for switching to a transactional application in response to a user